

Remarks

By this amendment, claims 1-9 have been cancelled, and new claims 10-16 have been added. No new matter has been added.

New independent claim 10 is directed to a method for transmitting a digital image from a handheld digital camera to a plurality of selected receiver units over a radio frequency link. The method includes the step of providing a handheld digital camera having an image sensor for capturing at least one image; a memory for storing the at least one captured image; and a transceiver for transmitting the at least one stored image via radio frequency transmission. The method further includes the steps of capturing an image using the image sensor; storing the captured image in the memory; selecting a plurality of receiver units that are to receive the stored image; and using the transceiver to transmit the stored image and a header identifying each of the selected receiver units. The method also includes the step of receiving the transmitted image and the header, and providing the transmitted image to each of the selected receiver units, wherein a single transmission of the stored image enables the stored image to be provided to at least two different receiver units.

The prior art does not teach or suggest the steps of using the transceiver to transmit the stored image and a header identifying each of the selected receiver units; and receiving the transmitted image and the header, and providing the transmitted image to each of the selected receiver units, wherein a single transmission of the stored image enables the stored image to be provided to at least two different receiver units. Accordingly, independent claim 10 is believed to be patentable over the prior art. Claims 11-16 depend on new claim 10, and therefore, are believed to be patentable at least due to their dependency on claim 10.

In view of the foregoing, this application is believed to be in condition for allowance, the notice of which is respectfully requested.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned **"Version With Markings to Show Changes Made"**.

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In the Title:

The title has been amended as set forth below.

TRANSMITTING DIGITAL IMAGES TO A PLURALITY OF SELECTED
[RECEIVER] RECEIVERS OVER A RADIO FREQUENCY LINK

In the Claims:

Claims 10-16 are new.

10. (New) A method for transmitting a digital image from a handheld digital camera to a plurality of selected receiver units over a radio frequency link, comprising the steps of:

- (a) providing a handheld digital camera including:
 - (i) an image sensor for capturing at least one image;
 - (ii) a memory for storing the at least one captured image; and
 - (iii) a transceiver for transmitting the at least one stored image via radio frequency transmission;
- (b) capturing an image using the image sensor;
- (c) storing the captured image in the memory;
- (d) selecting a plurality of receiver units that are to receive the stored image;
- (e) using the transceiver to transmit the stored image and a header identifying each of the selected receiver units; and
- (f) receiving the transmitted image and the header, and providing the transmitted image to each of the selected receiver units, wherein a single transmission of the stored image enables the stored image to be provided to at least two different receiver units.

11. (New) The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the handheld digital camera includes a display screen to display the captured image.

12. (New) The method as claimed in claim 2 wherein the display screen also displays the plurality of selected receiver units.

13. (New) The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the stored image is JPEG compressed.

14. (New) The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the header includes an address for each of the selected receiver units.

15. (New) The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein the transceiver is a cellular telephone transceiver.

16. (New) The method as claimed in claim 6 wherein the transmitted image and the header is received by a cellular telephone receiver which provides the transmitted image to the plurality of selected receiver units.